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ANALYSIS BY NPIC OF MISSION UE996M OF 25 NOVEMBER 1967 REVEALS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON THE NUI LANG LAU CAVE STORAGE AREA 20 23 40N-105 54 33E, NORTH VIETNAM:

NO EVIDENCE OF MISSILE ASSOCIATED ACTIVITY IS OBSERVED (REF). FACILITY CONSIST OF EIGHT (8) SEMI CIRCULAR HEAVY FIELD ARTILLERY POSITIONS LOCATED AROUND THE BASE OF A KARST HILL. EACH POSITION IS BEING HARDENED WITH A PARAPET IN FRONT (4 FACE NE AND 4 FACE SE). THE POSITIONS ARE RELATIVELY IN-LINE ON EACH SIDE OF THE HILL WITH THE DISTANCE FROM THE POSITION TO A HARDENED CAVE ENTRANCE RANGING FROM [REDACTED], THE CAVE ENTRANCE MEASURES [REDACTED] AND THE POSITIONS ARE [REDACTED] IN DIAMETER. A PATTERN OF EQUALLY SPACED VEGETATION GIVES THE APPEARANCE OF VEHICLE TRACKS/SECURITY FENCE ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE HILL AND A SINGLE LINE OF VEGETATION IS EVIDENT ON THE NORTH SIDE. THE FACILITY IS SERVED BY A ROAD FROM THE WEST BANK OF THE SONG DAY (RIVER) AND TERMINATES IMMEDIATELY AS IT REACHES THE HILL. NO TRACK ACTIVITY IS OBSERVED AROUND THE HILL OR NEAR THE POSITIONS. THE FACILITY APPEARS TO BE DEFENSIVE IN NATURE AND CONSTRUCTED SO AS TO PROTECT ROUTE 1A. DUE TO THE PHYSICAL LOCATION OF THE FACILITY, LACK OF EQUIPMENT, AND THE ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF SPOIL TAKEN FROM THE CAVE ENTRANCES IT IS BELIEVED THAT THE CURRENT FUNCTION OF THE FACILITY IS PROBABLY STORAGE. ALL MEASUREMENTS HAVE AN ACCURACY OF [REDACTED]

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